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SUBJECT: SCC- COMMISSIONER USTINOV'S FORMAL STATEMENT AT FIRST  
PLENARY MEETING, SEPTEMBER 28, 1976 (SCC-IX-007)

1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF SUBJECT STATEMENT.

MR. COMMISSIONER,

ON BEHALF OF THE SOVIET COMPONENT OF THE COMMISSION ALSOW  
ME TO GREET YOU AND GENERAL SERIO, AS WELL AS ALL THE STAFF  
OF THE U.S. COMPONENT OF THE COMMISSION AS WE BEGIN THE NINTH  
SESSION OF THE STANDING CONSULTATIVE COMMISSION.

PERMIT ME TO INTRODUCE THE MEMBERS OF THE SOVIET COMPONENT  
OF THE COMMISSION, WHO ARE TAKING PART IN THE WORK OF THIS  
SESSION. (INTRODUCTIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH LIST).

MR. COMMISSIONER,

THE MAIN TASK OF THE NINTH SESSION OF THE STANDING CON-  
SULTATIVE COMMISSION, IN OUR VIEW, MUST BE THE SIGNING OF  
THE PROTOCOL ON THE USE OF IMMEDIATE NOTIFICATIONS IN IMPLEMENT-

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ATION OF THE AGREEMENT ON MEASURES TO REDUCE THE RISK OF

OUTBREAK OF NUCLEAR WAR BETWEEN THE USSR AND U.S.A., AND, IF POSSIBLE, REACHING FINAL AGREEMENT ON PROCEDURES GOVERNING THE REPLACEMENT OF ABM SYSTEMS OR THEIR COMPONENTS, PERMITTED UNDER ARTICLE VII OF THE ABM TREATY AND THE PROTOCOL THERETO.

I

DURING THE RECESS THE SOVIET SIDE THOROUGHLY ANALYZED THE CONTENT OF THE PROTOCOL ON THE USE OF IMMEDIATE NOTIFICATIONS IN IMPLETMENTATION OF THE AGREEMENT ON MEASURES, WHICH WE INITIALLED ON MAY 5, 1976, AND HAS NO COMMENTS ON IT.

I AM AUTHORIZED TO SIGN THAT PROTOCOL AT THE CURRENT SESSION OF THE COMMISSION, AT ANY TIME CONVENIENT TO BOTH SIDES.

WE BELIEVE THAT BOTH SIDES HAVE A COMMON UNDERSTANDING TO THE EFFECT THAT THIS PROTOCOL WILL NOT BE PUBLISHED IN THE PRESS OF THE TWO COUNTRIES. REGARDING THE SIGNING, BY MUTUAL AGREEMENT OF THE SIDES, THE PRESS MAY PUBLISH ONLY A BRIEF ANNOUNCEMENT ABOUT THE ACTUAL FACT OF SIGNING THE PROTOCOL, WITHOUT DIVULGING THE SUBSTANCE OF THE DOCUMENT SIGNED.

II

A POSITIVE RESULT OF THE EIGHTH SESSION OF THE COMMISSION WAS , IN OUR VIEW, THE WORK ACCOMPLISHED BY THE GROUP OF COL. LEBEDEV AND GEN. SERIO IN WORKING OUT THE JOINT TEXTS OF THE SUPPLEMENTARY PROTOCOL ON ENTRY INTO FORCE OF THE PROCEDURES FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF ABM SYSTEMS OR THEIR COMPONENTS, AND THE PROCEDURES THEMSELVES.

ALTHOUGH AT THAT TIME THE SIDES WERE NOT ABLE FULLY TO COMPLETE THIS WORK (PROVISIONS ON THE TIME FOR CARRYING OUT DISMANTLING OR DEXTRUCTION OF ABM RADARS AND ABM RADAR COMPLEXES, AND THE QUESTION OF DESTRUCTION OF ABM RADAR ANTENNA SUPPORT FOUNDATIONS REMAIN UNAGREED), WE BELIEVE THAT GIVEN A CONSTRUCTIVE APPROACH BY BOTH SIDES TO QUESTIONS STILL REMAINING UNAGREED, IT APPEARS POSSIBLE TO COMPLETE WORKING  
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OUT THIS DOCUMENT AT THE CURRENT SESSION.

IN THESE QUESTIONS THE SOVIET SIDE WILL BE GUIDED BY THE RELEVANT PROVISIONS OF THE ABM TREATY, THE PROTOCOL TO THAT TREATY, THE AGREED STATEMENTS OF THE SIDES IN CONNECTION WITH THE ABM TREATY AND THE PROTOCOL ON PROCEDURES FOR ABM SYSTEMS OF JULY 3, 1974.

WE ANTICIPATE THAT, TAKING THIS INTO ACCOUNT, A CONSTRUCTIVE APPROACH BY THE U.S. SIDE TO QUESTIONS AS YET UNRESOLVED WILL MAKE IT POSSIBLE FOR BOTH SIDES TO FIND MUTUALLY SATISFACTORY SOLUTIONS AND TO AGREE UPON THE TEXT OF THE PROCEDURES IN ITS ENTIRETY.

WE ARE READY TO CONTINUE DISCUSSION OF THESE QUESTIONS IN ANY FORM SUITABLE FOR BOTH SIDES.

III

MR. COMMISSIONER, WE ARE ALSO READY TO DISCUSS THOSE QUESTIONS WHICH WERE PROPOSED BY THE U.S. SIDE AT THE LAST SESSION OF THE COMMISSION IN CONNECTION WITH THE REVIEW OF THE ABM TREATY WHICH COMES UP IN 1977.

IN THIS CONNECTION, OF COURSE, WE HOPE THAT YOU, MR. COMMISSIONER, WILL SET FORTH IN GREATER DETAIL THE VIEWS OF THE U.S. SIDE ON THOSE QUESTIONS IT HAS RAISED.

SHOULD THE NEED ARISE, THE SIDES COULD PARTICIPATE IN A DISCUSSION OF OTHER MATTERS WITHIN THE SCOPE OF THE STANDING CONSULTATIVE COMMISSION.

MR. COMMISSIONER, FROM THE REGULATIONS OF THE STANDING CONSULTATIVE COMMISSION IT FOLLOWS THAT IN THE COMMISSION'S WORK WE MUST FIRMLY AND CONSTANTLY ADHERE TO THE PRINCIPLE OF CONFIDENTIALITY AND ALLOW INFORMATION ABOUT THIS WORK TO BE PUBLISHED IN THE PRESS ONLY BY MUTUAL CONSENT.

WE HOPE THAT OUR FURTHER COMMON WORK AT THE NINTH SESSION OF THE COMMISSION WILL PROCEED IN A SPIRIT OF CONSTRUCTIVE AND BUSINESSLIKE DISCUSSION AND WILL BE COMPLETED SUCCESSFULLY.

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FULLY.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION. GRAYBEAL

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